

# Yellow monitor Lizard

The Indian Yellow Monitor, also known as the Indian rock monitor or Indurwa, is a species of monitor lizard found in India and Sri Lanka. This species is part of the monitor lizard family, which includes some of the largest living lizards in the world.

Characteristics	Description
Name	Indian Yellow Monitor
Scientific Name	Varanus flavescens
Colour	Yellow to olive-green with black spots
Length	Up to 1.5 meters
Habitat	Dry and arid regions, rocky terrain, scrublands, and deserts
Food Habits	Insects, rodents, lizards, and eggs
IUCN status	Least Concern

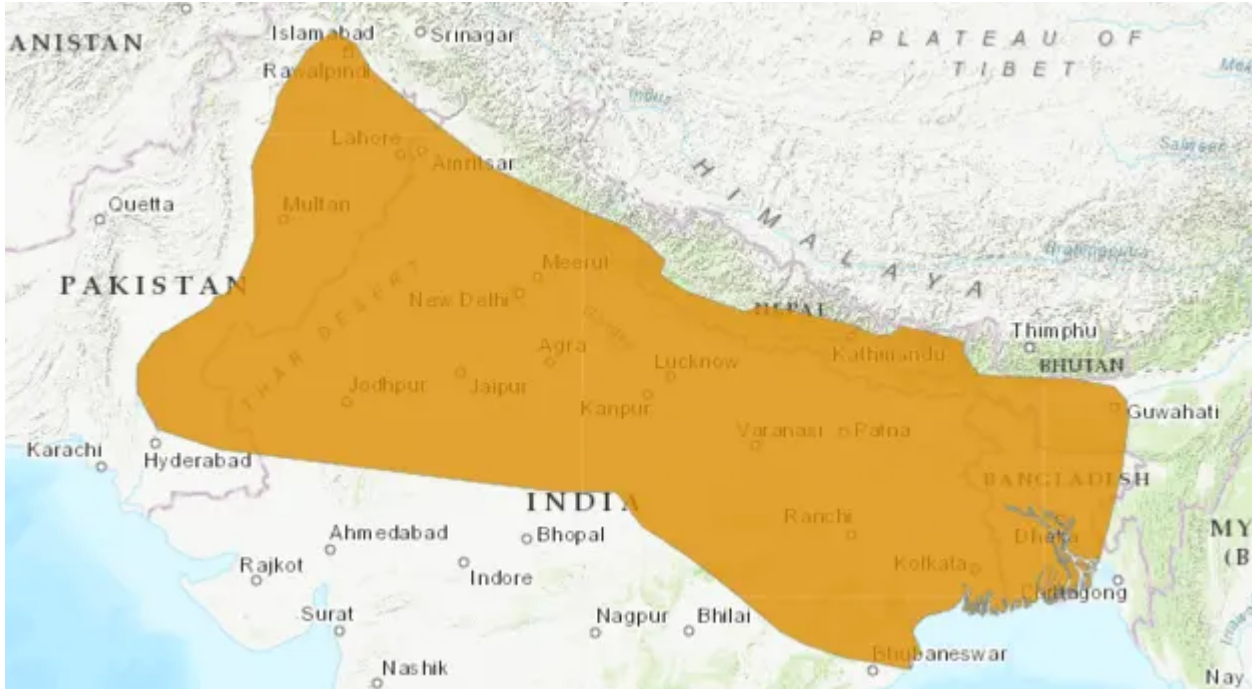
## Features



The Indian Yellow Monitor is a large species of lizard, with males growing up to 1.8 meters in length and females growing up to 1.2 meters. They are yellowish-brown in color with black spots, and their heads are large and triangular in shape. They

are known for their muscular build and powerful jaws, which they use to crush their prey.

## Habitat



Indian Yellow Monitors are found in a variety of habitats, including forests, grasslands, and rocky terrain. They are most commonly found in the western and southern parts of India, but can also be found in Sri Lanka.

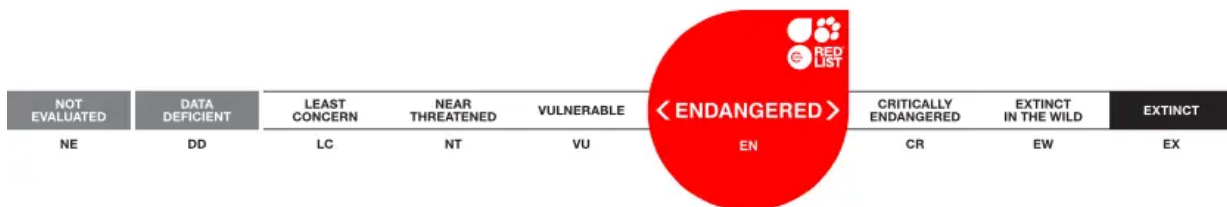
## How they hunt and food habits

Indian Yellow Monitors are carnivorous, and their diet consists of a variety of prey including insects, birds, reptiles, and small mammals. They are known to be opportunistic hunters and will eat almost anything they can catch. They are also known for their excellent climbing abilities, which allows them to hunt both on the ground and in trees.

# Importance to ecosystem

The Indian Yellow Monitor plays an important role in its ecosystem as a top predator. They help to control the populations of their prey, and their presence can also help to regulate the behavior of other species in their environment. They are also important for their role in nutrient cycling, as they help to break down organic matter and recycle nutrients back into the ecosystem.

## IUCN status



The Indian Yellow Monitor is listed as a species of least concern on the IUCN Red List. While they face threats from habitat loss and hunting, their large population size and wide distribution has allowed them to maintain a stable population.

## Conclusion

The Indian Yellow Monitor is a fascinating species of lizard that plays an important role in its ecosystem. Their large size and powerful jaws make them a formidable predator, and their ability to climb allows them to hunt in a variety of environments. While they face threats from habitat loss and hunting, their status as a species of least concern provides hope for their continued survival in the wild.